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GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA

MISSION

The Geographic Research Area is responsible for producing and coordinating geographic intelligence on foreign areas, providing cartographic services, and maintaining a map procurement and reference activity as required by the CIA and other IAC agencies.

FUNCTIONS

The Geographic Research Area shall:

1. Formulate and implement programs of geographic intelligence research.
2. Prepare intelligence maps and charts.
3. Provide inter-agency coordination and direction of foreign map procurement.
4. Maintain a map library and map reference service.
5. Report and advise on trends and events of geographic intelligence significance.
6. Provide technical services in the fields of geography and cartography.
7. Develop training programs in geography and cartography, as required.
8. Review the adequacy of geographic intelligence coverage in the intelligence community and initiate action to fill gaps as noted.
9. Represent the CIA in coordination related to geographic intelligence activities.

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